



CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

SEPTEMBER 2004 AGENDA

SUBJECT

Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials
Commission: Report to the State Board



Action



Information



Public Hearing

RECOMMENDATION

Receive a report from the Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission (Curriculum Commission) and, if necessary, provide guidance to Commission.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION AND ACTION

The Curriculum Commission provides regular reports of its activities to the State Board of Education (SBE).

SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

The Curriculum Commission's reports are often presented as information memoranda. Occasionally, the Curriculum Commission chair (and/or designated commissioners) will present the report at a regular SBE meeting.

FISCAL ANALYSIS (AS APPROPRIATE)

N/A.

ATTACHMENT(S)

Attachment 1: Report of the Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission (2 Pages)



State of California

Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor

Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission

An advisory body to the California State Board of Education
916-319-0881

August 4, 2004

Ruth E. Green, President
State Board of Education
1430 N Street, Fifth Floor
Sacramento, CA 94244-2720

Dear President Green:

Subject: Report of the Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission

On behalf of the Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission (Curriculum Commission), I am reporting on recent developments relating to the Curriculum Commission's responsibilities and activities.

July 21 Meeting

The Curriculum Commission met July 21 with the main purpose of discussing the draft *Mathematics Framework*. At the meeting, the Curriculum Commission did attend to some other matters, most notably, agreeing to extend the deadline to September 15 for receiving applications from potential members of the Instructional Materials Advisory Panel and the Content Review Panel for the History-Social Science Adoption in 2005. In addition, the Commission appointed Dr. Charles Munger as its liaison for the development of the principles of environmental education. These principles are being developed pursuant to Assembly Bill 1548 (Chapter 665, Statutes of 2003) and will come to the Curriculum Commission later in the year for review.

Mathematics Framework

The Curriculum Commission continues to make progress on preparing the *Mathematics Framework* for field review. At its July meeting, the Commission approved one of the final two pieces of the draft document, "Chapter 10: Criteria for Evaluating Mathematics Instructional Materials." The criteria for evaluating K-8 instructional materials are being revised so that the Commission will review and the Board will adopt instructional materials in three categories: basic standards-aligned, intervention, and Algebra readiness. As for the remaining document, the Commission agreed to work with three teachers designated by the California Mathematics Council on "Appendix E: Algebra Readiness and Mathematics Intervention." It is our hope that by gaining additional teacher comments, "Appendix E" will speak clearly to teachers, curriculum developers, and publishers of instructional materials.

We are grateful that the California Mathematics Council wishes to reach consensus on this matter. The Mathematics Committee will review the revised "Appendix E" in late August. The field review has been delayed and will begin September 1 and continue to November 1.

2004 Health Adoption of K-8 Instructional Materials

On July 19-22, 2004, the Curriculum Commission brought together for deliberations members of the Instructional Materials Advisory Panel (IMAP) and the Content Review Panel (CRP). The deliberations were open to the public and every panel had visitors, including publishers. The panels created a report of findings that the Curriculum Commission will examine on September 30 and October 1, 2004, when considering which materials to recommend for adoption. These recommendations will be brought to the State Board at its meeting on November 9-10, 2004.

2005 History-Social Science Adoption of K-8 Instructional Materials

The Curriculum Commission is recruiting for the Instructional Materials Advisory Panel and Content Review Panel. Please let us know of any teachers, scholars, or members of the public who would like an application; we will gladly have one sent to them. Also, please be aware that the application is available at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/hs/im/>, and the new deadline for receiving applications is September 15, 2004. Recommendations for members of the IMAP and CRP will be presented to the State Board at your November 2004 meeting.

This concludes the Curriculum Commission's report for September. As always, we welcome your direction on all matters related to the Curriculum Commission.

Sincerely,



Edith Crawford, Chair
Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission

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